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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: THOMAS HERMANN SCHROEDER  
Application Number: 10/665,086  
Filed: September 17, 2003  
Docket Number: THOMAS SCHROEDER  
For: ERGONOMIC STRINGED INSTRUMENT  
Art Unit: 2837  
Examiner: Donels, Jeffrey

**AMENDMENT B**

Mail Stop Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 20, 2005, as well as phone conversation on December 15, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims**

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this document.

**Remarks/Arguments**

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this document.